

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: December 10-11, 2003

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Information Item

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Ref: **STIP AMENDMENT 02S-118**

The Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG) has requested that this proposed State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) amendment be noticed at the December 2003 California Transportation Commission (Commission) meeting, and be considered for approval in January 2004. This notice is an informational item allowing the Commission to review the proposal, comment and/or ask questions prior to taking formal action in January 2004 or later.

TCAG and the County of Tulare request the Commission approve a replacement project per AB 3090. The County of Tulare will use local funds to replace \$400,000 in Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds in FY 2002-03 on the Caldwell Avenue/Visalia Road (Avenue 280) project (PPNO 0103). The County of Tulare proposes to complete the Environmental (PA&ED) phase using local funds for a replacement project (PPNO D0005) in FY 2005-06 to be programmed at a later date. This is a revenue neutral programming action.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the item be placed on the consent calendar for approval

**BACKGROUND:**

The Commission's policy on AB 3090 encourages local agencies to use local funds to advance the delivery of projects programmed in the STIP. The County of Tulare proposes to advance the environmental phase of a local program project using local funds. In addition, the County of Tulare plans to program a replacement project in the STIP, in accordance with the Commission's policy that gives preference to programming AB 3090 Replacement projects over AB 3090 direct reimbursement arrangements. The specific AB 3090 Replacement project will be amended into the STIP at a later date.

The Caldwell Avenue/Visalia Road (Avenue 280) project will widen the primary road between the cities of Exeter, Farmersville and Visalia from a two-lane to a four-lane facility. The widening will occur between Route 99 to Route 63 and will upgrade the facility to county standards. This project was originally allocated \$60,000 to begin work on the PA&ED component in June 2001, with a subsequent allocation of \$400,000 requested in June 2003 for the PA&ED component.

At the June 2003 Commission meeting, the allocation request for \$400,000 in RIP funds in FY 2002-03 for PA&ED was placed on the Highway/Rail and Transit Pending Financial Allocation List. Due to the uncertainty of when the funding could be allocated, the County of Tulare would like to utilize local Transportation Impact Fees to complete the PA&ED phase of the project now for a replacement project in FY 2005-06.

**RESOLUTION:**

Resolved, that the California Transportation Commission (Commission) revise the 2002 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) at the end of the 30-day notice period as follows:

**Revises:**

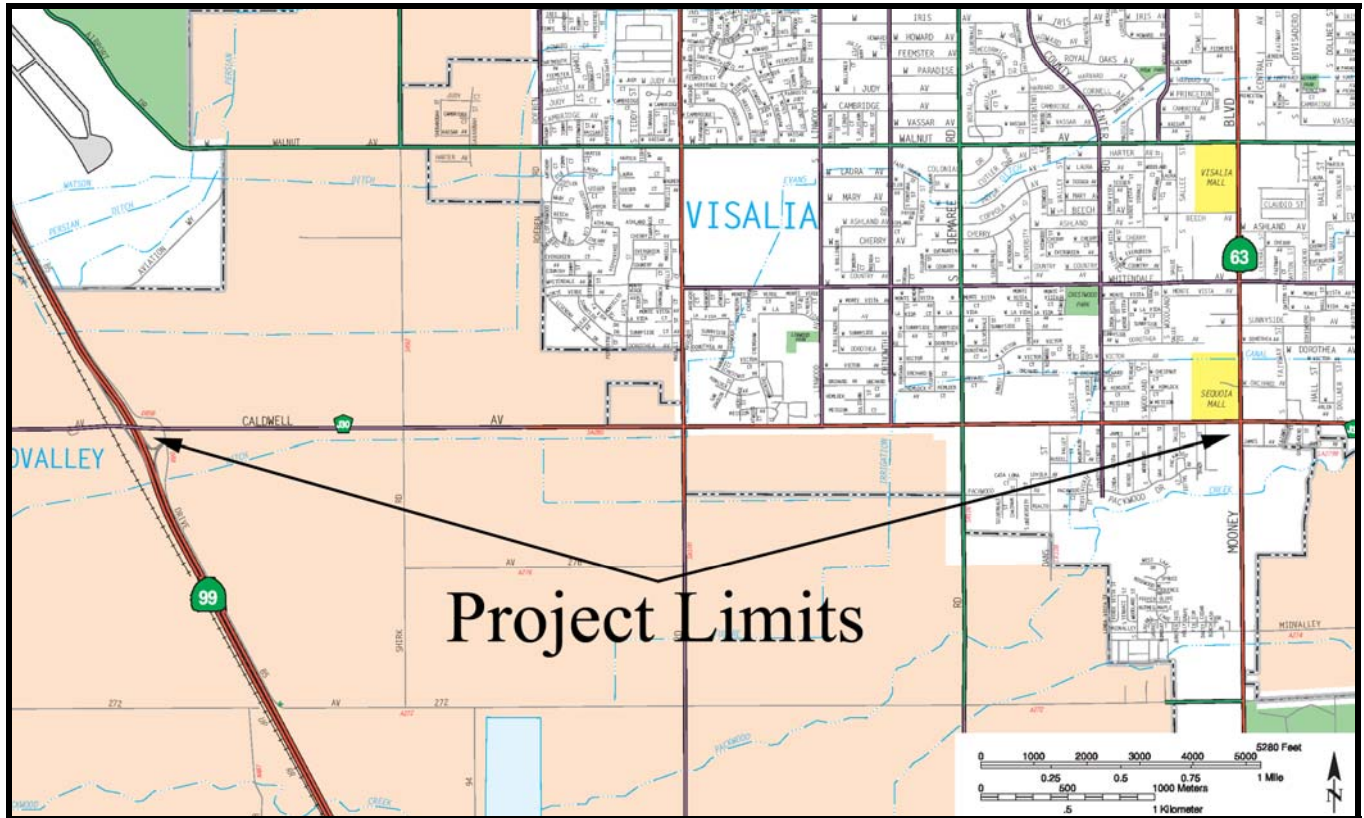
County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
Tulare	6	0103	4C1214	LA	2005-06	--	--	--					
Implementing Agency: (by component)	PA&ED	City of Visalia			x	AB 3090	PS&E	City of Visalia					
	R/W	City of Visalia					CON	City of Visalia					
RTPA/CTC:	Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)												
Project Title:	Caldwell Avenue/Visalia Road (Avenue 280)												
Location	Visalia - Caldwell Avenue from Route 99 to Route 63												
Description:	Widen from 2 lanes to 4 lanes												
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
STIP - RIP													
Existing	886	60	826							460	426		
Change	(400)	0	(400)							(400)	0		
Proposed	486	60	426							60	426		
Local Funds													
Existing	0			0						0			
Change	400			400						400			
Proposed	400			400						400			
Future Need													
Existing	28,418				1,513	25,298	1,607	1,513	25,298		1,607		
Change	0												
Proposed	28,418				1,513	25,298	1,607	1,513	25,298		1,607		
Total													
Existing	29,304	60	826	0	1,513	25,298	1,607	1,513	25,298	460	2,033		
Change	0	0	(400)	400	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Proposed	29,304	60	426	400	1,513	25,298	1,607	1,513	25,298	460	2,033		

**And Adds:**

County	District	PPNO	EA	Element	Const. Year	PM Back	PM Ahead	Route/Corridor					
Tulare	6	D0005	--	LA	2005-06	--	--	--					
Implementing Agency: (by component)		PA&ED					PS&E						
		R/W					CON						
RTPA/CTC:		Tulare County Association of Governments (TCAG)											
Project Title:		AB 3090 Replacement Project (Caldwell Avenue/Visalia Road(Avenue 280))											
Location		AB 3090 Replacement Project											
Description:		AB 3090 Replacement Project											
(DOLLARS IN THOUSANDS)													
FUND	TOTAL	Project Totals by Fiscal Year						Project Totals by Component					
		Prior	02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06	06/07	R/W	CON	PA&ED	PS&E	R/W Supp	CON Supp
STIP - RIP													
Existing	0					0				0			
Change	400					400				400			
Proposed	400					400				400			
Total													
Existing	0					0				0			
Change	400					400				400			
Proposed	400					400				400			

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Location Map



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PPNO 0103

Location: In Visalia, Caldwell Avenue from  
Route 99 to Route 63.

Description: Widen from 2 to 4 lanes.

